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SUBJECT: CLEARANCES FOR NASA LEAR JET

1. NASA AND INSTITUTO GEOFISICO DEL PERU (IGP) PLAN
SERIES OF SOUNDING ROCKET LAUNCHINGS LATE MAY-JUNE 1975
AS PART OF COOPERATIVE "ANTARQUI" PROJECT FOR MAGNETOS-
PHERIC AND IONOSPHERIC STUDIES. SOME 30 ROCKET AND 14
BALLOON LAUNCHINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED. TWO LAUNCHINGS
WILL RELEASE LITHIUM-SODIUM (LI-NA) CLOUDS FOR STUDY OF
NEUTRAL WIND MOTION IN THERMOSPHERIC PART OF EQUATORIAL
ATMOSPHERE DURING MID DAY. IN SUPPORT OF THESE TWO
LAUNCHINGS, NASA PLANS UTILIZE LEAR JET FROM NASA AMES
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RESEARCH CENTER FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC OBSERVATIONS.

2. AIRCRAFT IS U.S. PUBLIC LAW AIRCRAFT GATES-LEAR JET
MODEL 24B. REGISTRATION NUMBER NASA 705. AIRCRAFT OWNED

AND OPERATED BY NASA.

3. AS AIRCRAFT RANGE LIMITED, FERRY FLIGHT TO PERU WILL REQUIRE FIVE LANDINGS FOR REFUELING/RON AS FOLLOWS:

LOCATION	PURPOSE
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SAN ANTONIA, TEXAS	REFUEL/RON	MAY 28
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LOCATION	PURPOSE
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MERIDA, MEX	REFUEL	MAY 29
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GUAYAQUIL, ECUADOR	REFUEL	MAY 30
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LIMA, PERU (JORGE	
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CHAVEZ AIRPORT)	STAGING	MAY 30 - JUNE 09
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4. SIMILAR FERRYING NECESSARY ON RETURN FLIGHT AT SAME LOCATIONS DEPARTING LIMA O/A JUNE 9, ARRIVING U.S. JUNE 11.

5. FERRY FLIGHTS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY 4 PERSONNEL:

MISSION MANAGER	ROBERT MASON	NASA
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RESEARCH PILOT	JON ADDISON	NASA
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RESEARCH PILOT	DAN DUGAN	NASA
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AIRCRAFT INSPECTOR FRANK MATAMORAS NORTHROP SERVICES, INC.

ALTERNATE PILOT	GLEN STINNETT	NASA
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6. ALL PERSONNEL U.S. CITIZENS AND WILL HAVE VALID PASSPORTS AND VISAS. (FYI DUGAN IS ACTIVE DUTY ARMY UNCLASSIFIED

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LT. COL. ON ASSIGNMENT TO ARC FOR LAST FOUR YEARS. HE WILL TRAVEL IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES ON NASA ORDERS. END FYI)

7. INSTRUMENTATION ON BOARD CONSISTS OF:

FOUR 70 MM CAMERAS (VIEWING 28 DEGREES UPWARD ON STARBOARD SIDE), ONE 35 MM CAMERA (VIEWING 28 DEGREES UPWARD ON

STARBOARD SIDE) TWO 35 MM CAMERAS (VIEWING INSTRUMENT READOUTS IN BAGGAGE COMPARTMENT), MISCELLANEOUS ELECTRONICS TO SEQUENCE CAMERAS, INERTIAL NAVIGATION SYSTEM, TIME CODE GENERATOR, DIGITAL VOLTMETERS INVERTERS AND MISCELLANEOUS BRACKETRY. THERE WILL BE NO REPEAT NO DOWNWARD LOOKING INSTRUMENTS OR SENSORS.

8. DURING SCIENTIFIC PORTION OF MISSION IN PERU, INSTRUMENTS WILL BE USED TO PHOTOGRAPH ARTIFICIAL VAPOR TRAILS DURING DAYTIME FLIGHTS AND STAR BACKGROUNDS DURING NIGHTTIME CALIBRATION FLIGHTS.

9. SIX TO EIGHT FLIGHTS OF TWO TO THREE HOURS DURATION EACH WILL BE FLOWN FROM LIMA. FLIGHT ROUTES WILL BE OVER WESTERN PART OF PERU AND OFF-SHORE OVER PACIFIC OCEAN.

10. LEAR JET WILL HAVE SEATING SPACE FOR TWO PASSENGERS WHEN LEAR IS FILLED WITH EXPERIMENTAL EQUIPMENT. DURING DATA TAKING MISSIONS BOTH PASSENGERS WILL BE EXPERIMENTERS FROM GCA CORPORATION WHO WILL ARRIVE PERU ON COMMERCIAL AIRLINES.

11. MAY BE POSSIBLE ACCOMMODATE ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF GOP OR PERUVIAN SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY ON ONE OF PRELAUNCH PRACTICE FLIGHTS. VISIT TO AIRCRAFT AND INSPECTION OF SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT WELCOMED BY NASA AT ANY TIME.

12. AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR, NORTHROP SERVICES, INC WILL ARRANGE WITH LOCAL SOURCES AT JORGE CHAVEZ AIRPORT, PERU FOR ROUTINE DAILY NEEDS OF OPERATION SUCH AS FUEL, PARKING, GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT. NORTHROP
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WILL BRING OWN GROUND CREW TO SERVICE AND MAINTAIN AIRCRAFT.

13. FOR PANAMA, QUITO: REQUEST YOU SECURE REQUIRED CLEARANCES.

14. FOR MEXICO: AWARE PROBLEMS OF OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES BUT LIMITED AIRCRAFT RANGE NECESSITATES MEXICAN REFUEL STOP. REQUEST POST OBTAIN CLEARANCES. AS IN PERU GOM OFFICIALS WELCOME TO INSPECT AIRCRAFT DURING REFUEL STOPS.

15. FOR LIMA: PLEASE SECURE NECESSARY CLEARANCES, PARKING AND STAGING RIGHTS.

16. ALL CLEARANCES SHOULD BE FOR PLUS OR MINUS 72 HOURS.

17. PILOT WILL FILE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT PLAN. KISSINGER

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